SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 743

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Robert Benjamin Pope, 2008 Co-Valedictorian of Alcoa High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Robert Benjamin Pope is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Alcoa High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Robert Pope has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Pope has earned an exemplary grade point average of 4.21, while participating in several extracurricular organizations, including the baseball team; and

WHEREAS, a member of the National Honor Society, he is also listed in *Who's Who*Among American High School Students and has received the US Achievement Academy Award for Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pope's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Robert Pope's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, David and Mary Pope, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pope's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Alcoa High School Co-Valedictorian, Robert Benjamin Pope, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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